

7 June 1968

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Prosecution of VC Suspects

REFERENCE: My memo of 10 May 1968 (para 3)  
Your memo of 3 June 1968

1. Please conduct additional investigation and research as follows:

- a. Determine if civilian courts can hear and decide cases of Draft Evasion.
- b. Talk to GVN working level officials (DMJ, PSB, etc.) re use of draft evasion charges against VCS's. Find out extent to which this approach now used in cases of VCS's and practicability of expanding it. Technical aspects of bringing and proving the case. (What evidence or testimony needed, etc.?)
- c. Is any new regulation or procedure needed or desirable to facilitate this type of prosecution?
- d. Status of the "General Mobilization" and effect this may have on the matter.
- e. Look into charging VCS's with Desertion from the Armed Forces, use of False Identification documents or permits, and any other relatively simple and easily proven offenses that you can discover.

2. Please report results by memorandum.

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